

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death for both men and women in South Dakota and will kill more people than breast, prostate, colon, liver, kidney, and melanoma cancer combined; and,

*Whereas*, In 2010, it is estimated there will be about 222,520 new cases of lung cancer diagnosed in the United State, and an estimated 157,300 deaths will occur from lung cancer, accounting for about 27% of all cancer deaths; and,

*Whereas*, In 2010, it is estimated there will be 540 people who are diagnosed in South Dakota with lung cancer, and then an estimated 450 people will succumb to the disease; and,

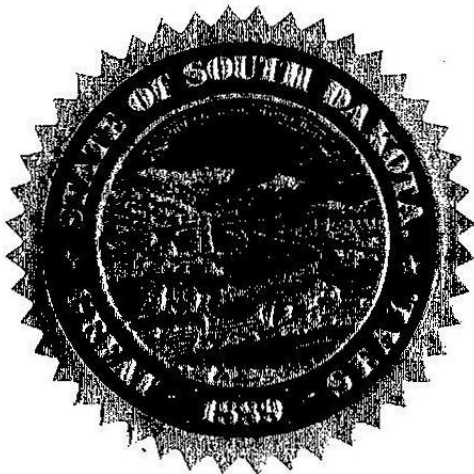
*Whereas*, Lung cancer causes include smoking, secondhand smoke, exposure to toxins and known carcinogens, and genetic abnormalities – an estimated 90% of lung cancer deaths among men and approximately 80% of lung cancer deaths among women are attributed to smoking; and,

*Whereas*, Increased awareness and coordination among all stakeholders – federal and state government, providers, community leaders and organizations, the public, business, patient groups, and researchers – are critical to promote the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of lung cancer:

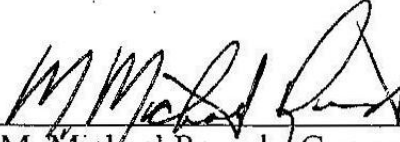
*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 2010 as

## *LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH*


in South Dakota.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this First Day of November in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State